

Amendments to Abstract:

Please amend the Abstract of the Disclosure as follows:

A control apparatus for use with utility control valves is disclosed. The control apparatus is in the form of an extension attached to the utility control valve in a variety of applications, such as the water shutoff valve in a toilet tank, sink, or water heater, or a gas valve to a dryer. The extension allows the user to turn off the utility valve without bending, stooping or trying to fit within tight or limited spaces. The extension has provisions to adjust the length to fit a particular application.

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